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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

[CGD 95-041]

Propeller Injury Prevention Involving Rented Boats

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: In a notice published April 28, 1997 [62 FR 22991] the Coast Guard solicited comments on the effectiveness of specific devices and interventions which have been suggested for reducing the numbers of recreational boating accidents involving rented power boats in which individuals are injured by the propeller. In response to the notice, the Coast Guard received only two comments and a request from an organization called Stop Propeller Injuries Now (SPIN) for an extension of the comment period. This notice extends the comment period.

DATES: Comments must be received by February 17, 1998.

ADDRESSES: You may mail comments to the Executive Secretary, Marine Safety Council (G-LRA/3406) (CGD 95-041), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001, or deliver them to room 3406 at the same address between 9:30 a.m. and 2 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is 202-267-1477.

The Executive Secretary maintains the public docket for this notice. Comments, and documents as indicated in this preamble will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection or copying at room 3406, U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, between 9:30 a.m. and 2 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Randolph Doubt, Project Manager, Recreational Boating Product Assurance Division, (202) 267-6810. You may obtain a copy of this **Federal Register** Notice and the original **Federal Register** Notice by calling the Coast Guard Customer Infoline at 1-800-368-5647, or on the Office of Boating Safety internet website at URL address: <http://www.uscgboating.org>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Request for Comments

The Coast Guard encourages interested persons to comment by submitting written data, views, or arguments. Persons submitting comments should include their names and addresses, identify this docket (CGD 95-041) and the specific section of this document to which each comment applies, and give the reason for each comment. Please submit two copies of all comments and attachments in an unbound format, no longer than 8½ by 11 inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing. Persons wanting acknowledgment of receipt of comments should enclose stamped, self-addressed postcards or envelopes.

Background Information

Based on comments received, other research efforts and after consultation with the National Boating Safety Advisory Council in November 1996, several potential devices and interventions have been suggested to aid in propeller injury prevention.

For complete descriptions of each suggested potential device or intervention, see the Notice published in the **Federal Register** on April 28, 1997 (62 FR 22991). Persons submitting comments should do as directed under "Request for Comments", and reply to the following specific suggested devices and interventions. Form letters simply citing anecdotal evidence and stating support for or opposition to regulations, without providing substantive data or arguments do not supply support for regulations.

1. *Swimming ladders.*
- (a) Location (b) Interlocks
2. *Large Warning Notices.*
3. *Clear Vision Aft.*
4. *Propeller Shaft Engagement Alarm.*
5. *Kill Switch/Auto Throttle and Neutral Return.*
6. *Education.*

Comments and information regarding propeller guards, pump jet (jet drives), alternatives to propeller guards, and any other devices that might reduce the likelihood of an accident or the severity of an injury are also solicited.

The Coast Guard will consider all relevant comments in determining what action may be necessary to address recreational boating accidents involving rented power boats in which individuals are injured by the propeller.

Dated: August 8, 1997.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

[CGD 97-054]

Chemical Transportation Advisory Committee; Subcommittee on Prevention Through People

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Prevention Through People (PTP) Subcommittee of the Chemical Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) will meet to commence its work on reviewing the content of a tank barge's Certificate of Inspection (COI). The group will also meet to discuss current initiatives to develop a PTP Internet Web Site. The meeting will be open to the public.

DATES: The PTP Subcommittee will meet on Tuesday, August 26, 1997, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should reach the Coast Guard on or before August 22, 1997.

ADDRESSES: The PTP Subcommittee will meet in the training academy conference room, ABS Plaza, 16855 Northchase Drive, Houston, TX 77060. For directions to the meeting, please contact Lieutenant Rick Raksnis, Commandant (G-MSO-3), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001. Send written material and requests to make oral presentations to Lieutenant Rick Raksnis, Commandant (G-MSO-3), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lieutenant Rick Raksnis, telephone 202-267-0084, fax 202-267-4570 or Mr. Calvin A. Bancroft, Ocean Shipholdings, Inc., 16211 Park Ten Place, Houston, TX 77084; telephone 281-579-3700, fax 281-579-3329.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is given pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2.

Agenda of Meetings

The agenda includes the following:

- (1) Assess the value to a tankerman-person in charge of the written requirements on a tank barge's COI to include, but not limited to, stability/loading information and cargo names.
- (2) Review/discuss current initiatives by the Coast Guard to develop a PTP Internet Web Site.

Procedural

This meeting is open to the public. At the Chair's discretion, members of the